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## INTERESTED IN JOINING THE STARCROSS COMMUNITY CIRCLE?

Starcross Monastic Community is seeking spiritual wayfarers to be co-workers and partners who share our values and are interested in developing the future of Starcross.

We are looking for individuals and couples to participate in community, live here and share our life on a long-term basis, either full time or at times throughout the year. Coming once each season is appealing to some.

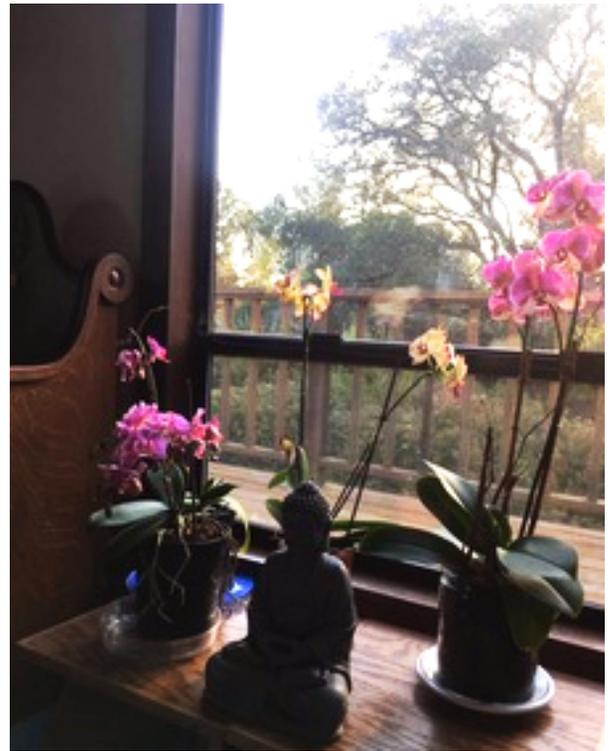
The values we hold dear include:

a commitment to spiritual growth

a commitment to sustainable  
living

a commitment to doing good in  
the world

a commitment to Rumi's  
observation that there are  
“as many paths to heaven as there  
are souls on earth”



To us, spiritual growth is not about belief or doctrine but involves one's conscious attempt to live ethically, often having a daily practice or discipline while respecting other people's ways.

In living sustainably, we attempt to be mindful stewards of the earth, and to repair the earth in some way.

Doing good in the world means responding generously to situations that arise, using our gifts and talents to help others, more than a little.



We know there are both joys and challenges in living in community. We have worked for many years developing the beautiful land and the peaceful, contemplative lifestyle here. Now that our children are grown, we are looking for companions who will bring new energy and enthusiasm to the scene.

We look forward to shared meals, meaningful discussions, coming together for meditation or quiet time in the chapel in a multi-faith fashion.



We are also a hard working community. Work activities would evolve depending on one's talents, experiences and goals. Some possibilities may include:

- Helping with building, maintenance, and gardening.
- Working in the organic olive groves.



- Marketing the organic extra virgin olive oil.

- Providing office help with publications, social media and graphics, including helping Brother Toby and Sister Julie in publication ventures.
- Managing the farmhouse: maintain a quiet, clean space for guests and helpers.
- Managing the Wwoofer (Worldwide Opportunities on Organic Farms), WorkAway and Farm Intern programs: orient helpers, provide needed supplies, supervise work, handle correspondence and practical details.
- Managing special events: plan, promote, coordinate, and host these events.
- Acting as personal assistant for older community members including those with mobility issues, driving to appointments, etc.



These ideas are just a beginning! If you know Starcross, you realize that part of our uniqueness is being ready to respond quickly to needs that arise. Some examples from our past include opening our home to babies with AIDS, providing a free food bank, creating an “Honor Produce Stand” for sharing fresh fruits and vegetables from

our farm, being a sanctuary community, and being a safe and nourishing place for all who spend time here.

If you are interested, here is what to do:

Write to Sister Julie, [sj@starcross.org](mailto:sj@starcross.org) and tell us about yourself, your background, present situation, how this might fit into your life, when you would be available and anything else you care to include. If it seems appropriate, we will arrange a video chat and/or visit to determine whether it would be a good match.



Please have a look at our website, [www.starcross.org](http://www.starcross.org), for more details about life at Starcross. If you have not already done so, be sure to sign up for our email list to be sent Brother Toby's Friday Reflections and other communications. Perhaps you will be with us as the future unfolds.

Peace and blessings,

*Sister Julie*